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Recognizing their many years of dedicated service to the county

# Col. Charles Webb and wife Gloria honored at Coffee County Commission meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Commission meeting Monday, Dec. 9, revolved mostly around special recognitions for Colonel Charles Webb (Ret.) and his wife Gloria Webb.

The recognitions were led by the Coffee County Emer-Communications Board and the Coffee County Emergency Management Agency.

Webb was first appointed Coffee County EMA director in December 1990, and he and wife Gloria were the founders of the Coffee County Emergency Communications Board where they served until July 2019 when they officially retired.

"Mr. Webb has a very long and distinguished military career spanning from 1956 until 1987 as an air County E911 board chairambulance pilot who flew man Dean Blair.

Col. Charles Webb thanks Coffee County officials for their support of him during his years of service to the county.

missions in Vietnam and Korea," said current Coffee

After retirement from the Army, Webb served in administration at Southeast Alabama Medical Center in Dothan until July 1990.

While serving as Coffee County's EMA director, Blair said Webb took on 911 responsibilities as an additional assignment. The 911 system in Coffee County went live in 1999 with Webb as its founder. He and his wife served on the Coffee County 911 Board until July 2019.

"Col. Webb worked tirelessly to establish a new 911 addressing system throughout Coffee County, and in the early start up, he insured fees were being properly collected and managed correctly," Blair said. "His wife worked along beside him serving as bookkeeper and board member the entire

Blair said neither of them ever asked for or received a salary from the Coffee County Emergency Communications Board throughout all the years of their dedicated service.

"They are true pioneers and dedicated individuals who make the Coffee County Emergency Communications Board what it is today," Blair said, "They

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Gloria Webb shows off the plague she was presented Monday morning, Dec. 9, thanking her for her many dedicated years to Coffee County's E911 system. The award was presented by the 911 Communications Board and Coffee County EMA. Also pictured is (from left) Charles Webb, James Brown, Marvin McILwain and Dean Blair.

# **Coffee County Sheriff asks** citizens to "Back the Blue"

Coffee County Sheriff Dave Sutton asked citizens Monday morning, Dec. 9, during the Coffee County Commission meeting to "Back the Blue" by supporting all First Responders, Law Enforcement Officers, and

lost this year that it seems like "open season" on them He asked citizens to please support these public servants and to keep them in their daily prayers.

Sutton said so many law enforcement lives have been

# Elba City Council receives progress reports for several ongoing projects

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba City Council met Monday evening, Dec. 9, for its regular meeting, and the council received updates on several ongoing projects during the meeting.

Assistant city clerk Pat Boothe noted the downtown revitalization project is well underway with the painting and cleaning of storefronts on the square completed. She said installation of storefront awnings for this project should begin Dec. 16th, and completion of that would move quickly.

Boothe said the paving of the parking lot at Hawkins-Williams Park was basically completed. She said the paving and striping had been done, but there was still some work left to complete on handicap parking before that was fully completed.

Champ McCollough Drive, Caroline Street and the Old Samson Road was set to

begin next week. The final project Boothe discussed with council members was the lights across the streets on the square in downtown. She said this had been an ongoing problem with the light bulbs going out on the strands of lights, and it had been determined the problem was the dimmer switches that had been ap-

Boothe said the dimmers had been determined to be the wrong kind for the lighting, and that was causing the problems. She said the lights had been turned off for now while the city gets



# Wreaths Across America event set for Saturday in Elba

The City of Elba joins of this program. those across the nation this Saturday, Dec. 14, in honoring deceased service men and women with the Wreaths Across America service.

This is the fifth annual service, and the ceremony in Elba will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at the Ever- Military Support Group. green Cemetery. During the ceremony, Elba Mayor Mickey Murdock will pres-City recognizing its support 12 noon for the 200th Anni-

the City Cemetery in Enterprise, Ala.

The theme for the event this year will be Vet-Wreaths Across America eran Suicide Awareness, and that will be addressed by John Logsdon of the

After the ceremony and placing of the wreaths in Enterprise, there will be the ent a proclamation for the ringing of bells 22 times at

State Parole Board announced parole hearing this week for an inmate serving time for several Coffee County crimes

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

Raymond Andrew Bivins is in state prison and had a theft charge, all in Coffee parole hearing set for Wed- County for total sentences nesday [Dec. 11th] of this of over 29 years. That is just week.

A news release from the cases. parole board listed at least convictions for five burgla- over his career. ries in Coffee County and

victions for Violation of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act and another from the Coffee County

Bivins also has been consome, if not all of his crim- victed in Tuscaloosa inal career that has spanned County, Houston County nearly 30 years and four Al- and Monroe County for varabama counties, including ious crimes at various times

None of his convictions again for receiving stolen were for violent crimes, but property and again later for his repeat offenses will possession of burglar's probably work against him tools. His records show con- on Wednesday of this week.

# versary of Alabama becom-

A ceremony also will be ing the 22nd State. All bells held Saturday at 11 a.m. at are welcome, including historic bells, school bells, church bells, fire house bells, city hall bells, people Wreaths Across America gathered in their local park ringing bells, store owners ringing bells on the sidewalk and even individuals

> houses ringing a small bell. Elba, New Brockton, and all area churches also are encouraged to ring their bells at noon.

standing in front of their

Events are co-sponsored by the Coffee County Veterans, Enterprise Civitan Club, Sons and Daughters of the American Revolution, and American Legion Posts in Elba and Enterprise.

# **Area Happenings**

COFFEE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD MEETING will be held Monday, Dec. 16, at 6 p.m., at 214 Factory Ave N. Elba, Ala.

THE CITY OF ELBA OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED Tuesday, Dec. 24, and Wednesday, Dec. 25, in observance of the Christmas holiday. The offices also will be closed Wednesday, Jan. 1, in observance of New Year's Day. There will be standby crews available to assist with any utility emergencies. For any utility emergency, report it to the Elba Police Department at (334) 897-2555 during this time. The garbage truck will run the normal

# Elba Council appoints Diana White to Elba Public Library Board

In a second of two meetings held Monday evening, Dec. 9, by the Elba City Council, an appointment to the Elba Public Library board was made.

The second meeting was held place of the council meeting originally scheduled for Monday, Dec. 23rd. The council chose to hold both required monthly meetings Monday night due to the upcoming Christmas holidays. The only matter discussed and approved in meeting two

was the library board appointment. Mayor Mickey Murdock said that library director Jennifer Amlong had recommended Diana White to fill the open spot on the board. The mayor said White frequents the library often with ner two young children, and Amlong has identified her as

good fit for the board. Council members voted unanimously to approve the ppointment of White to the Elba Public Library Board. Prior to adjourning this meeting, the mayor and council wished all citizens a safe and merry Christmas, as well as

happy New Year. stall and the out bulbs are replaced.

Hussey reported routine business for his department. Boothe said paving on He did tell council members that Phase I of implementing the new CAD System was about to begin. He said

plied to these lights.

the proper dimmers to ingether and training before that system would be turned completely over the Elba

Elba Police Chief Leslie dispatch for operation. Hussey said the goal is for the new CAD System to be up and operational and turned over to Elba by mid-

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FIREFIGHTER OF THE YEAR...Elba firefighter Josh Mack (right) was named the department's firefighter of the year during an awards ceremony held Monday night, Dec. 9, at the Elba Fire Department. The award was presented to Mack by Elba Fire Chief Drew Parker (left), and he thanked Mack for his dedicated service to the department and Elba's citizens. See more awards on Page 10.

# **EDITORIAL**

# **BRAINSTORMS**

With Ferrin Cox

The Alabama Law Enforcement Agency says it is opening five additional driver license offices for Saturday service highlighting five tips to help beginning immediately. The agency folks say offices in Do- consumers keep their holithan, Jacksonville, Montgomery, Sheffield and Tuscaloosa day spending under control. will begin opening from 7 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturdays. That is in addition to five others around the state that are already people to shop for during opening on Saturdays. This should help citizens who have the holidays, and big sales work hours that don't allow visits to the license office on can make it easy to overthe 9 until 5 Monday/Friday plans for taking driving and extend your finances in the road-knowledge tests, renew existing licenses, and transfer hustle and bustle of the seaout-of-state licenses to Alabama. Drivers can also obtain the son," said Dianna Lee, marnew STAR IDs at these sites.

The University of Alabama is one of several recently funded (\$2.5 million) in a study dealing with overweight and/or obese Americans. This is two-thirds of American citizens according to their numbers! What researchers are doing is attaching a special tiny camera to a pair of glasses. It pictures what a person is about to eat and how fast it is eaten. The theory is that both are related to those extra pounds. Their hope is this will make us food lovers think about what we are doing to our bodies as we wolf down those delicious fat producing "like Mama cooked" meals. The information is transmitted over the person's cell phone and 'if necessary' a message sent back with recommended changes in eating habits. Now that is Big Brother in action if you ever saw it. However, we accept the fact that excess eating and/or weight can be dangerous for our heath and this study may prove the will be just another day to

The school board in Houston County has a tiger by the tail. The reports are that a student opened a teacher's cell phone and found e-mails back and forth with other teachers containing very negative comments about several students. A group of parents are demanding all the teachers involved be fired. Right now those teachers are on administrative leave. That means they are still on the payroll while board members await a recommendation from the superintendent on how to move forward with this issue. A decision may be announced by the time you are reading these unsolicited comments.

We are relieved that we are not one of the teachers, the superintendent nor one of the board members on this cell phone matter. Frankly we could argue for or against several different angles on this issue. First, if those teachers had to the 200th anniversary of widely known as the "first make those comments, they should have conducted them in statehood to honor the lady of civil rights." person and in private. It is amazing how many times folks beloved place we get embarrassed over some dumb comment or very private call home. picture on their cell phone or e-mail. Second, there is a There are many question about the legality of a student, or anyone, opening incredible stories those messages, copying and sharing them with others. to be told about Third, though in very poor and unprofessional taste, they the may not have broken a law or school regulations. Our laws impact made by are far from up to date with today's technology. If they our broke no law or school regulations, then firing them would Alabamians. The only bring on expensive lawsuits from the fired teachers. state has deep Community emotions are so high over this issue that not roots firing them will escalate the uproar from area citizens. No nation's history. win for anyone involved.

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# Local bank offers tips to avoid financial frostbite this holiday

Consumers spent more than \$700 billion on holiday shopping in 2018. With this stick to it. year's holiday shopping season launching in full force, Troy Bank & Trust is

"There are so many keting & public relations costs like car insurance, life the year. This also gives you officer of Troy Bank & insurance and property Trust. "It's essential to map out a holiday spending plan to avoid a financial frostbite in the New Year."

Americans should consider much you can spend on to help relieve the financial each person.

stress of the holidays: · Create a budget and

Set a dollar amount based on what you can afford this holiday season. Avoid shopping sprees and impulse

Be sure to include a cushion for additional expenses beyond gifts, like dec- around). orations, wrapping paper,

greeting cards and postage. Keep in mind the end of the year is a time when large annual or semi-annual

• Make a "nice" list.

Jot down a list of everyone you plan to give gifts to Below are five habits this year and denote how crowds.

Consider making homemade presents, like photos for grandparents or cookies for your kids' teachers.

This list is also good place to factor in the total to charities and how much

each charity will receive. • Shop early (and shop

Avoid putting a major strain on your wallet and your sanity by taking advantage of other big holiday sales that happen earlier in more time to compare prices and identify the best start a dedicated fund for deals.

to avoid holiday shopping

monitor your account.

Keep track of your expenses and add them up weekly to be sure you're sticking to your budget.

You can also use online and mobile banking features amount you plan to donate to easily monitor your accounts and pay your bills.

> Be sure to keep receipts or acknowledgement letters for any charitable donations you have made if you want to receive tax deductions in the spring.

· Plan ahead for next

Review how much you spent in this past year and next year's holiday season. As a bonus, you also get Setting money aside throughout the year will make budgeting for gifts • Save your receipts and and other holiday expenses

## U.S. Representative Martha Roby celebrates 200 years of Alabama

Guest Editorial from Rep. Martha Roby

For many, December 14 cross off the calendar; it's another day closer to the holidays and the new year.

For Alabamians, it marks of the greatest celebrations to date in the history of our state. On December 14, 1819, Alabama was incorporated into the Union as the nation's twenty-second state. From North Alabama all the way down to the Wiregrass, Alabamians join together to commemorate

historical

Many Alabama natives, some temporary generations to continue Civil Rights Movement forever. half a century ago and was

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as the Montgomery Bus

Ms. Rosa Parks, a civil rights activist and own Alabama soil. Montgomery native, is Montgomery

> leaders recently

Rosa Parks for her bravery and to serve as a reminder for future

Atlanta native Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., served as a pastor at Montgomery's Dexter Avenue Baptist

home to pivotal events such King represent faces of courage, strength, and equality for all. History changed right on our very

> widely known for central moments in history, but we globally recognized for our presence in industries that are vital state's 200th birthday in components to the success 2019, ALABAMA 200 in of our country. The curated events and downtown agriculture industry is the activities across all 67 state's largest industry and counties to engage with recognizing is the largest employer in Alabamians far and wide. the Second Congressional

farmland. Approximately events bringing local half of the peanuts grown community residents and and some permanent, were down a path of in the United States are even visitors together. involved in critical turning righteousness. Ms. Parks' cultivated within a On Saturday, December World."

> Additionally, Alabama plays an integral role in the aerospace and defense industries with these two Church and led the fight for industries contributing to equal rights. Parks and Dr. over 60,000 jobs in the

state. North Alabama is home to NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center, Redstone Arsenal, and the Anniston Army Depot, while Maxwell-Gunter Air Force Base and Fort Rucker are located across the southern region of the

These are just a few examples of the incredible, rich history that our state has to offer, and I wish I could include them all.

One initiative that does honor each of these milestones is ALABAMA 200 which was designed to Not only is our state celebrate the people, places, and history of the state over a three-year time span. Beginning in 2017 and culminating with the

Teachers, organizations, and local Our state is home to leaders are among those thousands of acres of fertile included in these exciting

points in American history. actions changed the course 100-mile radius of the city 14, the state will participate Alabama emerged as the of history, and her legacy of Dothan, also known as in a finale commemoration in the Capital City. It will be the largest birthday celebration the people of Alabama have seen, and it is a unique and special opportunity to gather and honor the history and people that make the state of Alabama great.

> I am extremely excited to join the people of Alabama to celebrate our state's history. If you are able, I highly encourage you and your family to attend the events of the ALABAMA 200 finale celebration. There is no better way to pay tribute to the state we each hold so close to our hearts than by gathering in the Capital City to praise our great state.



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# **Obituaries**

DANNY LEE HUDSON Mr. Danny Lee Hudson,



Ala., died Dec. 4, 2019, Emily Burkett. at Flowers Dothan, Ala.

held Dec. 8, 2019 at Hud- Jefery Burkett (wife Na- friends. son Cemetery with Red cona), Brundridge, Ala.; Coleman officiating. Burial followed with Hayes Fu- sister-in-law: Jane Burkett; RICHARDSON neral Home directing. The four nieces, one nephew, family requested memorials one great niece and one son, age 54, of Elba, Ala., be made to Hudson Ceme- great nephew; along died unexpectedly Thurs- man Funeral Home Chapel tery or to Crossover Mini- with three step-children: stries in memory of Danny. Sara, Benjamin and Mat-

death by his parents, Alzie children. Lee Hudson and Giles "Coot" Hudson, along with RANDAL HUBERT two sisters, Nellie Holcomb and Annette Simmons.

Survivors include a Shana Hudson Hussey and Dec. 8, 2019, Daniel Hussey, Banks, Ala.; at Mount granddaughters: Emily Royal Towers Hussey, Laila Hussey, and in Birming-Olivia Hussey, all of Banks; ham, Ala. sisters: Patricia Blanks, Lanett, Ala., Merle McInnis, services were Ino, Ala.; and a brother: held Wednes-Steve Hudson, Elba.

#### ELIZABETH HUTCHISON

Mrs. Elizabeth Hutchison, Medical



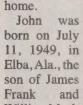
prise, Ala. Funeral services were held

Home in Elba with Rev.

Survivors include her brother: David Allen didge, Ala., and Sandra chael (Crystal) Strickland, "Jimmy" Hutchison, Pan- (Wilson) Carroll, Troy, Billy Ray Strickland, in Coffee County, graduama City Beach, Fla.; Ala.; a step sister: Patsy and George Strickland, all nephews: Scotty (Tim) (Bill) Fuller, Powder of Enterprise; and sister: Cain, Elba, Tom (Tori) Hutchison, Dothan, Ala., Kenneth (Anita) Johnson, Hope Hull, Ala., Tim (Lorinda) Hutchison, Crestview, Fla., ERNEST PAUL Randy Mularz, Montgomery, Ala., Mickey Murden, Panama City, Fla.; nieces: Phyllis (David) Sasser, Theresa Miller, and Cindy Brunson, all of Elba, Kathleen (Jeff) Harden, Dunlap, Tenn., Debbie Knight, Montgomery, Ala., Pam (Eric) Ramey, Springville, Ala., and Susan Parrish, Trussville, Ala.

#### JOHN JOSEPH BURKETT

Mr. John Joseph Burkett, age 70, of Harlingen, Texas, died Monday, Sept. 30, 2019, at his



Willie Myrle (Goodson) Burkett. He graduated from death by his parents; and a Elba High School in 1967. John served his country in the National Guard.

Memorial services were held Dec. 6, 2019 at Hillcrest Memorial Gardens in Alan Belcher, Elba, Warren Elba with Hayes Funeral Belcher, Montgomery; four

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Home directing the service. sisters: Ernestine Kelley, prise, Ala.; mother: Jea-John was preceded in Elba, Joyce (Otis) Johnson, nette Harrison, New Brockage 60, a resident of Elba, death by his parents; two Tuscumbia, Ala., Juanita ton, Ala.; sister: Janna brothers, James and Wil- (Wiley) Brooks, Enterprise, Harrison, New Brockton; Wednesday, liam Burkett; and one sister, Ala., Evelyn (Michael) and a brother: Scotty

Survivors include his law: Mamie Belcher, Mt. land City, Ala. Hospital in wife: Karen; three sons: Jo- Vernon, NY; a God brother: shua Burkett, Marianna, Robert Edwards, Opp, Ala; Graveside Fla., Jeremy Burkett (wife and many other extended services were Kimberly), Troy, Ala., family members and four grandchildren; his LINDA JEAN Danny was preceded in thew; and four step grand-

# PARKER

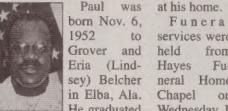
Mr. Randal Hubert Parker, age 72, a resident of daughter and son-in-law: Opp, Ala., died Sunday,



day, Dec. 11, 2019, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Richardson, a sister, Susie Opp, Ala., and Jeanette Home in Elba, Ala, at 2 Baxley, and a brother, Davis, Wicksburg, Ala. p.m., with Rev. Gary Smith David Strickland. officiating. Burial followed age 70, of Elba, Ala., died in the New Home Cemetery husband of 21 years: Thursday, Dec. 5, 2019, at with Hayes Funeral Home Tommy Richardson; chil-

Parker Walden. Dec. 7, 2019 mother: Minnie Ruth Grantham, both of Jack, the Crook, Opp; daughters: Jesse (Alyssa) Dodd, Mo-Chapel of Hayes Funeral Tracie (Mark) Stokes, Elba, bile, Ala., Billy (Silenia) with Coleman Funeral Tammy Stokes, Enterprise, Richardson, New Brockton, Home of Enterprise direct-Kenneth Hagler and Rev. Ala., and Kellie Parker Ala., Selina (Adam) Marti- ing. Will Ramey officiating. Bu- (Brent) Helms, Southside, nelli, Elba; grandchildren: rial followed in the Ever- Ala.; two brothers: Mickey Emma Parker, Micah Lindgreen Cemetery of Elba Parker and Jerry (Lela) sey, Liam Lindsey, Payt- on March 28, 1928 in Dale with Hayes Funeral Home Parker, both of Opp; two lynn Davis, Sophia Davis, County, Ala., one of 11 chil-(Ronnie) Walden, Brun- Steve (Kim) Strickland, Mi-Springs, Ga.; and a step Lou Ann Matthews, Enterbrother: Danny Flowers, prise. Enterprise.

Monday, Nov. 11, 2019.



in Elba, Ala.

A memorial service was neral Home directing. held Friday, Nov. 29, 2019, at Rocky Head Baptist death by his father, Marvin organizations, and she re-Church in Elba. Services Dolphus Harrison. were directed by Coleman Funeral Home. A graveside service will take place at a son, Elba; son: Marcus Harcommunity. later date pursuant to the rison, Elba; daughters: U.S. Navy.

brother, Grover Belcher Jr. Survivors include Juan

Serrano Lopez, Rota, Spain; three brothers: Milt (Bettye) Belcher, Montgomery, Ala.,

# Mrs. Linda Jean Richard-

services were tery. held Nov. 24,

with Rev. Alan Richards of- Stokes, Canal Fulton, Ohio; ficiating. Keahey Funeral three grandchildren: Lind-Home of Andalusia, Ala. sey Stokes, Cleveland, was entrusted with arrange- Ohio, Lorna Stokes of Eng-

ceded in death by her parents, a son, Jonathan Elba, Ala., Betty Davis,

dren: Christina (Jake) Dan-He was preceded in death iels, Midland City, Ala., prise in Enter- by his father, Virgil Parker; Amanda Dodd of Texas, along with a sister, Landis Melinda (Pasco) Lindsey, Niceville, Fla., Will Dodd Survivors include his and Sonya Dodd (Luke) sisters: Shirley Richards Lillian Dodd; brothers: dren born to John Franklin

#### RANDY LANE HARRISON

Mr. Randy Lane Harri-Mr. Ernest Paul Belcher, son, age 52, a resident of age 67, of Rota, Spain, died Elba, Ala., died Monday, Dec. 9, 2019,

> born Nov. 6, Funeral to services were sey) Belcher neral Home Chapel on

Grover and held from Eria (Lind- Hayes Fu-He graduated Wednesday, Dec. 11, 2019,

from Elba High School in beginning at 11 a.m., with Rev. Ruby Nell Lawson of-Paul honorably served in ficiating. Burial followed in the U.S. Navy for more than the Bethany Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Fu-

Paul was preceded in Amanda Harrison, Enter- mother, father, 10 siblings

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The Phases of Grief

Grief isn't something you process overnight; in some ways, it's something you may never fully "get over." Rather, grief is a journey, and it can encome pass a range of moods and reactions. As you mourn the loss of a loved

one, it's important to be prepared for shifting expressions of your grief.

can nevertheless be a useful tool for charting your feelings.

not spend much time actually thinking about their feelings.

The five classic phases of grief include:

f the grieving process.

y intense feelings of guilt.

onest about how grief has impacted them.

are not alone in this season of trial.

To that end, there is a classic, five-stage model that maps out the grief

ourney. While your personal experience may not totally align with this model,

1. Denial. In the denial phase, your grief is so fresh and so raw that you may feel like you're in a state of shock. Those in the denial phase simply

want to push forward and try to make it through each day, and they may

2. Anger. Next comes the anger phase, in which those who have lost a

oved one may feel deserted, abandoned by God, or simply resentful over

he time they've lost with their loved one. Anger is a good and healthy part

3. Bargaining. In the bargaining phase, it may be tempting to try to "make a deal" with God or with the universe, hoping you may wake up and find your loved one's death was all a dream. Bargaining is often accompanied

4. Depression. A season of melancholy is to be expected from those who rieve. Depression may also feel like profound state of emptiness or mean

5. Acceptance. Those who "accept" death may still feel quite sad, and

this does not mean their grieving journey is over-but it does mean they ave reached a healthy place of truly engaging with their feelings and being

No matter how your own grief journey unfolds, always remember: You

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#### IMOGENE DAVIS STOKES

Mrs. Imogene Davis Stokes, age 92, of Andalu-Dec. 4, 2019, in Enterprise, Ala.

Funeral services were held Dec. 7, 2019 at Foreday, Nov. 21, in Andalusia with Minister Funeral dalusia Memorial Ceme-

Survivors include her 2019 at Elba step-daughter: Linda Hin-Deliverance son, Kinston Ala.; step-Tabernacle Church in Elba daughter-in-law: Linda land, and Brandon Hinson, Born Nov. 2, 1965, to Augusta, Ga.; one sister: Cecil Strickland and Betty Linda Strickland (Jimmy), Lou Fennell, she was pre- Enterprise, Ala.; three sisters-in-law: Ann Davis,

#### Survivors include her MARIE C. EVANS Mrs. Marie C. Evans, age 91, died recently at her res-



at Johns Chapel A M E Church

Marie Constance Christine Coone Evans was born Coon and Coria Blue Coon. She attended public schools ating from Coffee County Training School. After college, she taught school in Coffee County.

Marie Christine met Henry Phillip Evans while he was in the U.S. Army stationed at Camp Rucker. They were united in marriage at St. Beulah Missionary Baptist Church on July 6, 1952. The couple retired back to Enterprise when Master Sergeant Evans completed his military career.

She was a lifelong learner and returned to college for her Master's degree from Troy University in 1999 at the age of 71. That accomplishment was exactly 50 years after graduating from ASU. She was active in and held various leadership po-Randy was preceded in sitions in local and regional ceived numerous awards Survivors include his and citations in recognition wife: April Denise Harri- of her involvement in the

Marie Evans was pre-Shannon Vaughan, Elba, ceded in death by her

and her devoted husband. Survivors include several nieces and nephews, great on two properties - 941 N nieces and nephews, other Claxton Avenue and 856 family members, friends, Troy Highway. The purpose

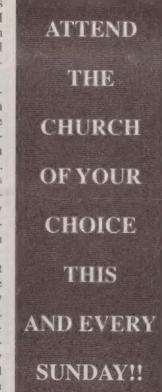
life she touched.

sia, Ala., died Wednesday, (Continued from Page One)

2019, at her Greg Hanchey officiating. Webb and his wife have ton Avenue came to helped him tremendously sist from an advisory role.

presented a plaque of appreciation from Coffee County E911 and Coffee County EMA. Also, Col. Webb was presented an award from the Alabama 911 Board.

"This honor is greatly appreciation by both me and my Gloria," Col. Webb said Monday morning at the conclusion of the recognitions. "She was with me all the way. I thank her for putting up with all of this. We appreciate you all and certainly we will continue to see you from time to time and re-



have left a legacy and large be remembers as true servants for the citizens of Coffee County."

Blair added that both Col. since he took over as the 911 board chairman for Coffee tion on 856 Troy Highway County, and he said they continue to be willing to as-

During Monday's recognition of Col. Webb and Gloria Webb, they each were

main friends.

February. The council held a public hearing prior to the meeting

members of other organiza- of the hearing was to discuss tions to which she belonged an assessment of fees to be and numerous others whose charged on each property with the revenue commission office as a tax lien on the property as a result of the city ordering the demolition of the building on the

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Code enforcement officer shoes to fill and will always Bryson Dear presented the figures to council members during the public hearing. The total cost assessment for \$5,296.06 while the total cost assessment for demolicame to \$9,075.43.

Dear said the much higher cost on the Troy Highway property was due to asbestos that had to be properly dealt with in the demolition.

During the council meeting, council members approved the resolutions regarding these properties to move forward with trying to collect the demolition costs by placing a lien on the property with the county's revenue commission office.

Also during the meeting, council members approved payment of bills totaling \$210,849.73 for the month. This did include the purchase of two Chevrolet Malibu vehicles for the police department at \$14,916.50 each, which was a previously approved expense and funds were transferred from reserve for these vehicles. The vehicles were purchased locally from Cook Chevrolet.

The council voted unanimously to approve a proclamation supporting the Wreaths Across America project. Wreaths will be placed at gravesites of those who served in the military during a program Saturday. Dec. 14, in Elba at the Evergreen Cemetery. The mayor will read the approved proclamation during this pro-

The council adjourned this meeting, and immediately called a second meeting to order. The second meeting was being held in place of the originally scheduled Dec. 23rd meeting due to the Christmas

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# **CHURCH NEWS**

# **Pastor's Corner**

BY PHILIP BOX, MINISTER **ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST** 

The Shepherds Story

Why were the Shepherds the first people to find out about the birth of Jesus? And what an amazing way they found out about it!

#### The Story in the Bible

And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, ... Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:8-20

The History behind the Shepherds & Angels in the Story At that time, sheep farmers were generally seen as having low or little value by other people.

The type of sheep the shepherds would have been raising were 'fat tailed' (or broad tailed) sheep. They often had lambs in the autumn and winter.

The shepherds were quietly getting on with their own business when suddenly an angel appeared to them. I'm not surprised they were afraid!

The angel's words to them told them of Jesus and his amazing birth and how they could recognize him in a very crowded town. The words of the hosts of angels is very similar to the words sung during a sacrifice service in the tem-

This is only the second time in the whole Bible that a group of angels rather than one angel had appeared to people, so this proved that they had a very important message to give to them. We don't know the names of the angels or how many there were of them, but in the Bible, it says December that there are millions of angels so it would have been an amazing experience!

A couple of miles outside Bethlehem there was a special Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. watch tower called the Migdal Eder, which means 'The Tower of the Flock'. It's thought that sheep born there were in the Church sanctuary. used as sacrifice animals in the Jewish Temple in nearby Je- Remaining rusalem. According to some sources, the lambs at Migdal Eder had their health checked by resting them in a 'manger' and were even wrapped in swaddling clothes to show they were special! I'm not convinced about Jesus actually 'being born' at 'Migdal Eder' but having those shepherds being the first to be told about Jesus makes a lot of sense.

Having seen the new baby, the Bible says "...they spread the word concerning what had been told them about this child, and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds said to them." If they were shepherds from Migdal Eder, they could have told the people they saw on the way back to hills, friends and relatives in Bethlehem and Jerusalem, the 'middle class' people they sold sheep to and also the people and priests in the Jewish Temple when they took their best sheep and lambs to be sold there for sacrifices.

They took immediate action and so should we. When we see Jesus, we should make changes in our own life and tell others the Good News! Take some time at this time of year to do just that!

Shop ELBA First!

Wreaths Across America event set for Dec. 14th at Bethlehem Baptist Church

Baptist Edmond Bethlehem Church, 518 County Rd Rucker Chapter 2534, and 421, Elba, will be holding other members. its 2nd Wreaths Across America and Alabama call Odom at 897-6298. 200th Birthday on Saturday, Dec. 14, at 11 a.m.

The service will begin member can mail their \$15 with a prayer, and the check to: Bethlehem wreaths then will be placed Church, c/o Cathy Odom, on the gravesite of each 668 County Rd. 439, Elba, military person recognized. AL 36323. The checks Hosting the event with need to be received [with Bethlehem Baptist Church the name information of Edwards, Alice Musgrove, are Bethne Cowen and the military serviceman] by Cathy Odom, patriotic ac- Dec. 2nd. tivities leader for the Gen.

# Bethany Baptist Church to present its Christmas program on Dec. 15th

Road 533, New Brockton, p.m., Sunday, Dec. 15, 12/19 W.A. invites all to attend the 2019.

Bethany Baptist Church, church's Christmas Pageant niversaries

All are welcome.

Winchester

For more information,

Anyone wishing to pur-

chase a wreath for a family

# Elba United Methodist Church has special services this month

Steve Reneau has released then join us for this worship the schedule of special experience services planned for all December 24th at 5 p.m. -Christians during the Christmas Eve Candlelight Christmas Service

The messages stress All these events take place

December 15th at 10 a.m. -Who are Mary and Joseph?

December 22nd at 10a.m. -Who is Jesus Christ? - Love December 22nd at 5 p.m. -



Elba First United The Longest Night - If you

## Basin Baptist Church to present Christmas programs on Dec. 15 Tamariah Samuel 12/24

Basin Baptist Church, located on Hwy 189 S, \*\* Leper Elba, will present two Jesus touched a Leper. That Christmas Sunday, Dec. 15th.

will present the Christmas banished from all contact musical "The Song of with humans except for Bethlehem", and at 5:30 other lepers. The leper was "Random Acts Christmas"

foods social in the In touching this man, Jesus program Sunday night.

these special services.

Church News is due on Monday!

# **Round and About** With Eria's Daughter 897-3611



# for You.

The Belcher Family, Beatrice Belcher, Min. Robert Question / Answer Section The Family of Donella 11/5/19 God, Ida Hooks, Dea. J.L. ents? Williams

# December Birthdays / An- Proverbs 28:7]

located at 1805 County "We Bow Down" at 6:30 John and Christina Nelson warns about the imper-

Cordel Hooks 12/20 Kimberly McBride 12/20 Ben and Cynthia Rayborn A: Jesus teaches a similar 12/20 W.A.

Anitra Hammond 12/20 Debbie W. Bright 12/21 Min. Pam Mitchell 12/21 Methodist Church pastor find this season difficult, Lou Ella Terrell 12/22 (in memory)

Grover Belcher 12/23 (in healthy for the body memory) Lucille Hammonds 12/23

Ouran Lamortis Warren 12/24 Shane Warren 12/24

Sean Warren 12/24

programs act was amazing in itself. In those days a leper was con-At 11 a.m., the adult choir sidered unclean. He was p.m., the children's choir required to shout, "Unclean! will present its musical play Unclean!" everywhere he of went, announcing his presence so he could be easily There will be a finger avoided.

fellowship hall immediately rendered himself cerefollowing the children's monially unclean. Many times we are required to All are invited to attend "get our hands dirty" when reaching out to others in compassion. Sometimes it is distasteful. Reaching out to others in compassion often forces us out of our comfort zones. Sometimes it requires us to associate with the outcast.

Scripture: A Plea for Relief Jesus touched the leper with from Persecutors [Psalm life-changing results. We may not be healers of bodies as Christ was. Yet, a touch Thinking of You! Praying can often be a part of the healing of one's soul.

# Q/A for the Week of

Stickney, Evelyn Belcher Q: According to Proverbs Manning, All Believers of 28:7, who shames their par-

> A: Companions of gluttons shame their parents. [read

Q: In Proverbs 28:8 the sage manence of wealth. Where does Jesus teach a similar message?

message in Matthew 7: 19-

Thought to Remember Kind words are like honey, sweet to the soul and

#### Questions for the Week of 12/12/19

Q: What actions could your church take to convince unbelievers of the power of God's love?

Q: What is Jesus' rule for getting along with others?

Today is a good day! Be grateful. Eria's Daughter, Sue



Attend the Church of **Your Choice** This and **Every Sunday** 

# Church Directory

IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE Bible Study . . . . 9:00 a.m. Fellowship . . . . 9:45 a.m. LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN Wed. Night (Youth Real Deal ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH Rockey Pearce, Pastor Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m.

CHURCH SAMSON, Ala. Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor Morn. Worship. . . 10:30 a.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Sam Self, Pastor Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn, Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m. BETHEL AME CHURCH Rev. Deborah A. Butler, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.

Wed Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m. BETHLEHEM BAPTIST

Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Class . . 6:30 p.m. BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH Greg Cotter, Pastor

Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Disciple Train . . . . 5:30 p.m. Even Worship . . . . 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH Tom Senn, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPT CHURCH

Robert Davis, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. CHESTNUT GROVE METH-

Rev. Remonia Smith Church Service . . . . 9:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays Sunday School . . . . 10:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH Larry Mills, Pastor Sunday Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night. . . . . . . 7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH Diana White, Pastor

and Children's Activities) . . . ..... 6:00 p.m. DAMASCUS BAPT. CHURCH Steve Watson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. . .6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH 

Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting, Wed. 7:00 p.m. EANON BAPTIST CHURCH Mark Ward, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST Phillip Box, Minister Bible Study . . . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.

Wed. Bible Study . . 6:30 p.m. ELBA CHURCH OF GOD David Noble, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD H.L. Buckner, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Thur. Night. . . . . . 7:00 p.m. ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE

Allen Richards, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Service . . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD Dwight Johnson, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Service . . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA 1st BAPTIST CHURCH Tom Anderson, Interim Pastor Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Wed. Service . . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED METHOD-IST CHURCH Steve Reneau, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPT. CHURCH Loveli Martin, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m.

. 10:00 a.m.

CHRIST Timothy Williams, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . . 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPT CHURCH Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn, Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:30 p.m.

COMMUNITY CHURCH Phillip Adcock, Pastor Sunday Morning . . 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m. 1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD -KINSTON

Danny Bradshaw, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 7:00 p.m. FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH Scott Donaldson, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS

CHURCH Edward E. Drake, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH. Overseers - Bro Billy Berry Sat. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m. Sun. Service . . . 10:00 a.m. Even, Service . . . . 4:00 p.m.

GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Willie L. Peterson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . . 11:00 a.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC W. K. Ellison, Pastor Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m. HAM UNITED METHOD-

IST CHURCH Rev. Steve Reneau, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . . 8:45 a.m. HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Shirlie Ellis, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Mora. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH Mark Cooper, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service. Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH OF GOD IN Wesley D. Ard, Pastor

Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting, . 6:30 p.m. INO BAPTIST CHURCH Garry Winstead, Pastor Sunday School . . . . 8:45 a.m.

Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . Wed, Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD Matthew Morris, Pastor

Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service . . 7:15 p.m. KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH

Ben Posey, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. LIVING WORD CHURCH Derrick Stinson, Pastor Saturday Service . . . 9:45 a.m. Sunday Service . . . 10:30 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Youth Service . . 6:00 p.m.

Thurs. Service . . . . . 6:00 p.m. LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST Greg Hanchey, Minister

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. LOVE'S WAY CHURCH Charles Jones, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening ... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service .... 7:00 p.m. MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH J. R. Parks, Pastor Sunday School .... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship .... 11:00 a.m.

1st & 3rd Sundays MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH Dewey Emfinger, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPT. CHURCH Olan Strickland, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . , 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m. MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Kevin Byrd, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Cathedral of the Holy Spirit NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL. OLD TABERNACLE UNITED 

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Morning Worship . . 9:00 a.m. Evening Worship . . 6:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening . . . 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening . . . . 7:00 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH Will Jordan, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Disciple Train .. 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Services 7:00 p.m. NEW BROCKTON METH-

ODIST Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor Dr. Craig Baney, rastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:30 p.m. NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Terry Godwin, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Bible Study . . . . 5:00 p.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST Randall Pearson, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . . 5:30 p.m. Wed, Prayer Meet . . 6:00 p.m. NEW GLORIOUS CHURCH

James Starks Jr., Pastor Sunday School ... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Bib Stud Wed . . . . 6:00 p.m. NEW HAVEN BAPTIST

OF GOD IN CHRIST

Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 10:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . 6:30 p.m. NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Brad Sasser, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Worship . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH Lanny Shepard, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Mora. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST Lorearl Flowers, Minister Sunday School .... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays

CHURCH, Elba

Fri Missionary Ser. . 7:00 p.m.

TRINITY RAPTIST CHURCH C.P. Davis, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.

METHODIST CHURCH Lee Jones, Pastor Sunday School...10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship ....11:00 a.m VANDERBILT HOLINESS PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

Wed. Service . . . . 7:00 p.m. PINEY GROVE AS SEMBLY OF GOD - SAM-

OAK GROVE BAPT. CHURCH

Julian Mitchell, Pastor

1st, - 4th Sun. Morn.

Terry McCrummen, Pastor Sunday School ...9:45
Mora. Worship ...11:00
Evening Worship ...6.00
Wed. Worship ...7:00

Roy L. Turner, Pastor

WORSHIP CENTER

Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Service . . . . 6:30 p.m. ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH A. R. Williams, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

2nd & 4th Sundays ROETON BAPTIST Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet . . 7:00 p.m. SHADY GROVE AME James Boots, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 4:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet . . 6:30 p.m. TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST

**CHURCH** 

SHILOH BAPTIST

Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m. THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Noon Worship ..., 12:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 7:00 p.m. Youth Ser. Mon. . . 7:00 p.m.

THE WAY OF HOLINESS Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . . 11:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Class . . 7:00 p.m.

Donald Mills, Pastor Morn. Worship . . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH Shayne Allen, Pastor Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m.

Even. Service . . . . 5:45 p.m. Wed. Worship . . . . . 7:00 p.m. VICTORY TABERNACLE Ruby Lawson, Pastor Morn. Worship . . 10:30 a.m.

Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. . 7:00 p.m. WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH Ken Wilson, Pastor nday School . . . 9:00 a.m Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.

Wed. Prayer Meet . . 6:30 p.m. WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH

Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF

Kenneth Hagler, Pastor Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

Donnie Marler, Pastor Sunday School . . 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship . . 11:00 a.m. Even, Service . . . . 5:30 p.m Wed. Prayer Meet . . 7:00 p.m

Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m. CHURCH

BAPTIST CHURCH WOOTEN CHAPEL AS-SEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH Mike Medley, Pastor Morn. Worship ... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service . . . . 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service . . . . 7:00 p.m. ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.

# LIFESTYLES



RIBBON CUTTING HELD FOR MULTI-PURPOSE FACILITY AT HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC...On Sunday, Nov. 24, Harris Temple Church of God In Christ dedicated its newly built Multi-Purpose Facility to the service of God and to the building up of the community. As a beacon of light in the Mulberry Heights, church members are excited about the great things that God is doing through them, for the people of God and the people in the community. For years, the Harris Temple Church family pondered ways could enhance the community and the City of Elba through their services. With the vision of the pastor, Supt W.K. Ellison, it was deemed necessary that the church members make it a goal to provide the community with a safe place to not only worship, but also find strength, nourishment, information, and support both with spiritual needs and also physical needs. It is the prayer of the church membership that with this new addition, they can enhance the lives of people everywhere through their Love and Service, not only to God but also to his people!

FREE TURKEYS! Last Wednesday, Dec. 4, employees of SECAP [Southeast Alabama Community Action Partnership] were handing out free turkeys at the SECAP office in Elba. SECAP was formerly known as HRDC. A total of 400 turkeys were donated by Southland Broilers to SECAP, and the turkeys were distributed between Elba, Enterprise and Geneva County. Shown above holding some of the free turkeys are Elba SECAP office representatives (from left) Dottie Stricklin, Martha Drewery, and Hattie White.



Voting delegates elected members to the Alabama Farmers Federation Board of Directors at a business session during the organization's 98th annual meeting in Montgomery. Front row, from left are Secretary-Treasurer Steve Dunn of Conecuh County; Southwest Area Vice President Jake Harper of Wilcox County; Central Area Vice President Jon Hegeman of Calhoun County; and State Women's Leadership Committee Chairman Kathy Gordon of Montgomery County. Back row is State Young Farmers Committee all the schools that have re-Chairman Jonathan Sanders of Coffee County; District 2 Director Mark Byrd of Morgan ceived the Best Hustle County; District 5 Director Joe Anders of Tuscaloosa County; District 8 Director Jimmy Award and congratulate Holliman of Dallas County; and District 11 Director Mark Kaiser of Baldwin County.

# Alabama Farmers Federation elects leadership team

Written by Debra Davis

Alabama Farmers Federation leaders were elected at Byrd was elected to the Disthe organization's 98th annual meeting in Montgomery Dec. 9.

Conecuh County's Steve Dunn, a row crop and cattle farmer, was reelected secretary-treasurer of the state's He serves Bibb, Fayette, man Jonathan Sanders of largest farm organization.

Calhoun County's Jon Hegeman was elected Cen-County was reelected Southwest Area vice president.

Elections were held during the Federation's business session where almost 500 voting delegates from and row crop farmer Mark all 67 counties chose of- Kaiser was elected District ficers and directors. Officers 11 director. He represents

serve two-year terms.

Morgan County poultry Escambia, Mobile, Monroe and row crop farmer Mark and Washington counties. trict 2 seat, which includes officio terms on the state Limestone, Madison and Morgan counties.

crop farmer Joe Anders was ery County and State Young reelected District 5 director. Farmers Committee Chair-Jefferson, Lamar and Tuscaloosa counties.

Dallas County cattleman tral Area vice president, and Jimmy Holliman was Jake Harper of Wilcox elected director of District 8, which includes Choctaw, Dallas, Greene, Hale, Marengo, Perry, Pickens and Sumter counties.

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Pine Level Sr. Center's Christmas Party moved to 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 12; Seniors invited to come

The Pine Level Senior the center's director. Citizens Center invites all seniors to attend a Christ- call 897-2621. mas Party to be held Thursday, Dec. 12, at the center.

Games and Christmas Carols will begin at 2 p.m. Anyone age 60 and older is welcome.

The Pine Level Senior Citizens Center is located at 63 County Road 355, Elba [in the Pine Level Community]. Debbie Pearce is

THE CITY OF ELBA OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED Tuesday, Dec. 24, and Wednesday, Dec. 25, in observance of the Christmas holiday. The offices also will be closed Wednesday, Jan. 1, in observance of New Year's

The garbage truck will run the normal schedule.

Alabama aims to add

able. Cash for College Ala-

# Elba and Zion Chapel schools both win Best Hustle Award for FAFSA completion

Alabama Possible, a state- and academic programs. wide nonprofit that breaks down barriers to prosperity, 500,000 individuals with this week announced that valuable postsecondary cretwo Coffee County schools dentials to its workforce by will receive the Best Hustle 2025, and Governor Kay Award for successfully im- Ivey's Success Plus strategic proving its early Free Appli- plan recognizes the critical cation for Federal Student role that financial aid plays in Aid (FAFSA) completion by making education after high at least 10 percent from Oc-school accessible and affordtober 1 to December 1, 2019.

This year, 120 Alabama bama is a partnership of high schools earned this rec- Alabama Possible, the Alaognition, including: Elba bama State Department of High School, which in- Education, Bold Goals Coalicreased completion by 11 tion of Central Alabama, and percent; and Zion Chapel the Alabama Media Group. High School, which increased completion by 34

All the schools participate in the Cash for College Alabama campaign coordinated by Alabama Possible. Cash for College works with school counselors, career coaches, and other educators at high schools across the state to equip students to continue their education after high school by com pleting their financial aid

More than 340 Alabama high schools participate in the Cash for College campaign. By December 1, 2019, nearly 12,000 Alabama high school seniors had already completed the FAFSA, up .17 percent compared to last year.

"It's crucial that high school seniors fill out the FAFSA as early as possible to maximize their financial aid," said Kristina Scott, executive director of Alabama Possible. "We are excited for them on their success in encouraging early FAFSA completion among stu-

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The same shift will be utilized the week of New Year's also - Wednesday to Thursday and Thursday to Friday.

The Coffee County Landfill will be closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Lifestyles News is Due on Monday each week!





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January 1, 2020

and delinquent

**February 1, 2020** 

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# **SPORTS NEWS**

# Views From The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Our grandson Lawson went with his Nanny over to Enterprise over the weekend to see the Grinch and enjoy a couple of hours playing in the park and shopping for gifts for his Mom. He was tired when the long day finally ended, but at the Elba High gym. he admitted he had a good time and was ready to head back out sometime soon.

#### For what it is worth....

\*\*\* Tigers win opener.... The Elba Tigers tipped off their basketball season last week with a 53-42 win over New Brockton. The Tigers pulled ahead early and appeared ready to blow their cross county rivals off the court, but suffered some early-season struggles at times on both ends of the court and allowed the Gamecocks to rally before they finally put away the pesky Gamecocks for good. It wasn't always pretty, but it was the first game and the Tigers did show they had plenty of quickness and weren't afraid to run and shoot three pointers. It will be a challenge at times, but look for the Tigers to be just fine as they get actual game experience under their belts.

\*\*\* Lady Tigers on a roll.... The Elba Lady Tigers rolled three straight wins and upped their record to 4-1. The Lady Tigers held their three victims to a total of only 63 points in the three games, and displayed quickness on defense that was the key in all three wins. The Lady Tigers have a balance of height, quickness and good shooters, and if they will continue to work hard and improve they could be headed for a banner season.

\*\*\* Area basketball notes.... It was a busy week for the Elba lead and then pulled teams in the area and even though Zion Chapel was the only within 24-20 just before the team to claim a win, both Kinston and New Brockton showed signs of growth.

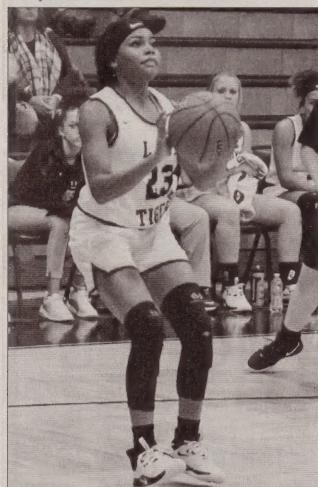
\*\* Zion Chapel surprised Pleasant Home at home and has won two straight games after going 0-3 in a tournament in Ariton and plays as hard as any team around, while the Lady Rebels have won two of their last four games and appear ready to return to their winning ways of years past.

\*\* New Brockton remained winless in both boys and girls action, but the Gamecocks did show some pride and desire in a loss to Elba and are a well-coached team that will find its way to the winners circle before long, while the youthful Lady Gamecocks appear to be in for a long season due to their youth and inexperience, but do play hard.

\*\* Kinston remained winless in boys action as the Bulldogs are still trying to put the pieces together in a busy early-season schedule as they look ahead to area play, while the Lady Bulldogs are off to a 3-2 start and last week claimed a big win over state 2A power Samson to open the went on a 20-0 run over the eyes of their upcoming opponents.

\*\*\* On to college football.... There were a number of open up a big 51-32 advancoaching signings last week, and while the biggest news tage with only 2:27 remainwas the 'Lane Train' heading to Ole Miss with the signing ing in the fourth quarter. of Lane Kiffin, the one that caught my eye was Greg Schi- New Brockton never quit ano heading back to Rutgers. The former coach at the school and scored the last eight signed for \$32 million over eight years, and since his teams points of the game, but it went 68-67 in his stay from 2001-2011, the big contact was too little, too late, as seemed kind of crazy. Schiano posted an 11-21 record after Elba claimed the 53-42 sealeaving Rutgers for a short stay in the NFL, and now that son opening win. Rutgers is in the Big Ten its schedule will be much harder than it was during his previous stay. Coach's salaries in college are completely out of control!

\*\*\* Polish Prognosticator.... Ye Ole Polish Prognosti- Up record to 4-1 cator didn't find the time to drop by over the weekend, but the local guesspert did hit on six of his seven playoff picks last week to end the season with a 335-82 slate. Not to shabby a season for our own fearless forecaster!

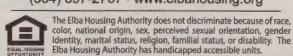


Elba Lady Tiger Freeda Hooks (23) eyes a shot from the corner. Hooks scored 11 points last week in the Lady Tigers big 55-6 win over New Brockton.

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**Drop New Brockton** 

# Elba Tigers win opener 53-42

The Elba Tigers went on a 20-0 second half run to take command as they tipped off the basketball season with a 53-42 win over the New Brockton Gamecocks, Thursday night

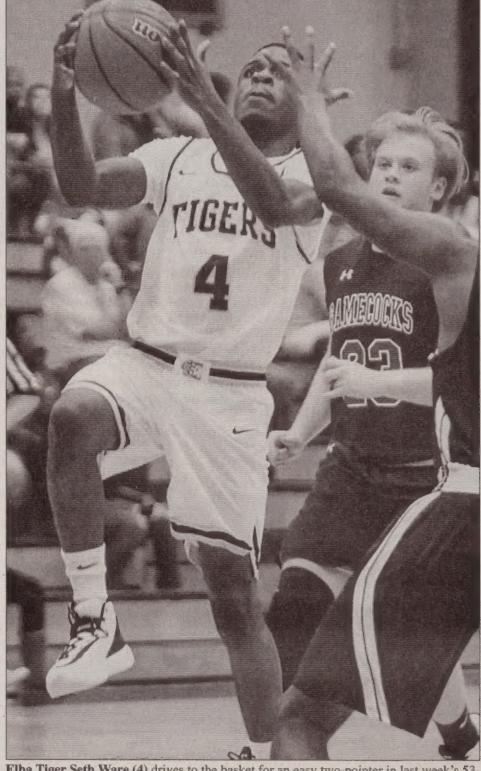
Elba jumped out to an early 4-0 lead on a basket by Seth Ware, and while New Brockton closed the lead to 4-3 on a 3-pointer by Tariq Walker with 4:54 left in the opening period, the Tigers quickly regained command and rode the 3point shooting of Ware and Collin Harrison to grab a 12-3 lead heading into the second quarter.

Seth Ware drained his second 3-pointer of the night early in the second quarter to push the Tigers. lead to 15-3 and the Tigers lead remained in double digits as a layup by John Martin Wilson put Elba on top 24-14 with 54-seconds remaining on the clock. New Brockton hit 3 of 4 free throws to cut into the half on a long 3-pointer by Dalton Shehee.

The Gamecocks took their first lead of the game at 25-24 early in the third quarter on another 3-pointer by Shehee, and when Shehee drained his third 3pointer of the night with 4:01 left in the stanza the Gamecocks were still on top

Elba regained the lead at 33-32 on a pair of free throws by Seth Ware, and sparked by the play of Dylan Caldwell and Chrystyile Caldwell, the Tigers game's next ten minutes to

Seth Ware scored 15 points and Collin Harrison



Elba Tiger Seth Ware (4) drives to the basket for an easy two-pointer in last week's 53-42 win over New Brockton. Ware scored 15 points to lead the Tigers to the season-opening

added 12 to lead Elba, while Caldwell 3. Dalton Shehee scored a Gamecocks and Tariq Kelty 4, Undley 3.

Elba (53): Lane 3, Harri-Wilson 4, C. Caldwell 9, D. out to an early lead and held Green 1, Adkinson 14.

Walker added 16.

N.B. (42): Shehee 17. game high 17 points for the Wilkerson 2, Walker 16, ton Gamecocks.

(JV Game)

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)

on late to survive with a 34-31 win over the New Brock-

Elba (34): Thomas 6, Washington 14, Hill 7, Peterson 2, Merek 2, Harrison 3. son 12, Ware 15, Burks 2, The Elba Tigers jumped N.B. (31): Smith 16,

# Elba Lady Tigers are on a roll

quarter after a basket by Da- lead.

pulled even at 22-20, the

A basket by Nina Wil-

Melissa Williams scored

19 points and Jaylin Baker

Elba (46): Baker 14, N.

Williams 3, M. Williams 19,

Flowers 5, Edwards 1,

H.C. (29): H. Hogan 9, F.

The Elba Lady Tigers

County with 11 points.

Elba 37 Carroll 29

Hooks 4.

liams with 6:19 left on the

to 4-1.

Following are highlights of all three wins:

Elba 55 New Brockton 6

The Elba Lady Tigers raced out to a 32-0 lead and run to grab a 14-10 lead and New Brockton Lady Game- 20-15 lead in at the half.

Freeda Hooks poured in sparked an early 7-0 third 10 first quarter points to quarter run that put the help the Lady Tigers open Lady Tigers on top 22-20, up a 26-0 lead, while Nina and while Houston County half. Williams sparked a second quarter drive that enabled Lady Tigers Jaylin Baker Elba to carry a 35-4 lead in and Freeda Hooks sparked a way through the third liams scored four points in top 37-22 heading into the still tied at 22-22 late in the tosh 2, Gray 12. the third quarter as the Lady fourth quarter. Tigers lead grew to 49-6, and Elba outscored New Brockton 6-0 in the final clock completed the 21-0 stanza to post the 55-6 win. run with 6:19 left in the

Freeda Hooks and Nina final stanza and put the Williams scored 11 points, Lady Tigers on top 43-22, apiece, to lead Elba, while and Elba emptied the bench Silar led New Brockton as it claimed the 46-29 win. with 4 points.

Elba (55): Baker 8, A. Chism 3, N. Williams 11, U. added 14 to lead Elba, while Chism 3, M. Williams 9, Faith Hogan led Houston Sanders 3, Flowers 2, Edwards 5, Hooks 11.

N.B. (6): Silar 4, Sprinkle

Elba 46 Houston Co. 29 The Elba Lady Tigers used a 21-0 second half run to take command as they defeated the Houston

Hogan 11, Smith 2, Rivers County Lady Lions 46-29. Elba got inside easy and totally dominated the glass in the opening quarter Carroll Lady Eagles. against the shorter Lady

The Elba Lady Tigers en- Lions, but Melissa Williams and Jaylin Baker both quarter. However, Freeda joyed a busy week on the was the only Lady Tiger to blocked two shots in the Hooks nailed a 3-pointer at basketball court and as they score points in the period as opening quarter to spark the the buzzer to pout Elba back claimed three impressive her eight points were just defense and Sanders also ahead 25-22, and the Lady wins to improve their record enough to put Elba on top 8- drained a long 3-pointer Tigers opened the fourth Elba was on top 10-9 stanza as the Lady Tigers open up a 31-22 lead. with 6:33 left in the second bolted out to an early 9-0

naejah Flowers, but Hous-Carroll rallied late in the ton County went on a 5-0 never looked back in a lop- then hit two late 3-pointers early in the second quarter, win. sided 55-6 win over the as the Lady lions carried a but Melissa Williams sparked a 7-0 Elba run mid-Elba's Breanna Sanders way through the stanza that put the Lady Tigers on top 18-11, and Elba carried an 18-13 advantage in at the

> Carroll caught the Lady Tigers again at 19-19 mid-

with 4:37 remaining in the quarter with a 6-0 run to

Carroll cut the lead to six points at 33-27 with 2:34 left in the game, but the quarter to pull within 9-8 Lady Tigers never lost comand caught Elba at 11-11 mand and posted the 37-29

> Nina Williams scored 13 points and Melissa Williams added 12 to lead Elba, while Ameisha Gray scored 12 to lead Carroll.

> Elba (37): Baker 2, N. Williams 13, Sanders 6, M. Williams 12, Edwards 1, Hooks 3.

Carroll (29): Carson 6, at the half. Melissa Wil- 15-0 run that put Elba on quarter, and the score was Jones 2, Condrey 7, McIn-



never trailed in an impres-PARKER WEEKS KILLS HIS FIRST DEER...Parker sive 37-29 win over the Weeks, age 8, of Kinston, Ala., killed this spike buck Saturday, Dec. 7, while hunting with his dad and brothers. Elba's Breanna Sanders He is the son of Anthony and Kaliegh Weeks of Kinston.

# **SPORTS NEWS**



Kinston Lady Bulldog Kelsi Cardwell (3) drives between 20 points to lead the Eagles. two Pleasant Home defenders in last week's 35-31 loss.



Zion Chapel Lady Rebel Janna Miles (32) drives to the ison Weeks scored 8 points and Paula McKenna added 5 to basket. Miles scored 23 points in the Lady Rebels 41-21 lead the Lady Gamecocks. win over McKenzie.

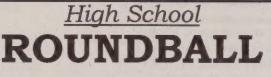
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New Brockton Lady Gamecock blocks out Elba Lady Tiger Zhandria Siler (25) during last week's cross-county basketball battle.

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ROUNDUP

**BOYS:** 

New Brockton clawed by Eagles 44-37

The New Brockton Gamecocks battled for all four quarters in a 44-37 loss to the Pleasant Home Eagles. The Gamecocks, which hit only 9 of 30 free throw opportunities, were led by Dillon Kelty with 16 points, 5 rebounds and 3 steals, while Tariq Walker added 12 points and 4 rebounds. Jacob Price scored 13 points and grabbed 7 rebounds to lead

### Kinston Bulldogs edged by Eagles 56-49

The Kinston Bulldogs saw a furious fourth quarter rally fall short in a hard fought 56-49 loss to the Pleasant Home Eagles. Kinston trailed 43-33 heading into the fourth quarter, but led by the scoring punch of Ayden Wallace and Logan Matthews used an 8-0 run to cut the deficit to 43-41 early in the final stanza. The Eagles regained command and upped its lead to 50-41 with 3:31 remaining; however, and the Bulldogs converted only 4 of 8 free throw chances late as Pleasant Home held on for the 56-49 win. Ayden Wallace scored 24 points and Logan Matthews added 12 to lead Kinston, while Mason Anderson and Drew Wood both scored

## (Photo by Roberta Gideon) Kinston Bulldogs slammed by Samson 72-54

The Kinston Bulldogs remained winless in early-season action with a 72-54 loss to the Samson Tigers. Ayden Wallace scored 18 points and Cale Sumblin added 14 to lead the Bulldogs, while Braxton Brooks poured in 30 points to lead the Tigers.

## Zion Chapel stuns Pleasant Home in OT 62-55

The Zion Chapel Rebels rallied in the fourth quarter to send the game into overtime and then connected on 12 of 22 free throws in the extra period to claim an impressive 62-55 win over the Pleasant Home Eagles. The Rebels trailed 14-11 after one quarter, 22-16 at the half and 33-29 after three quarters, but 3-pointers by Billy Heap and Joey McCrary and clutch free throw shooting enabled the Rebels to catch the Eagles at 48-48 at the end of intermission. The Rebels made a parade to the foul line in the extra period and never trailed as they pulled off the 62-55 upset win. Brady Cobb scored 19 points and Conner Kelley added 11 to lead Zion Chapel, while Mason Anderson scored 15 points to lead the Eagles.

# GIRLS:

# Zion Chapel Lady Rebels rip McKenzie 41-21

The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels made it look easy in a 41-21 win over McKenzie. Janna Miles scored 23 points and Alexis Barker added 16 to lead the Lady Rebels.

# 'Brockton ripped by Lady Eagles 55-17

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks fell behind early and never recovered in a 55-17 loss to Pleasant Home. Mad-

# Lady Bulldogs shock Lady Tigers 35-30

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs continued their early season success with an impressive 35-30 win over Samson. Courtney Lunsford scored 14 points and Addison Musgrove added 11 to lead the Lady Bulldogs, while Brantley Edbert scored 10 points to lead Samson.

# Zion Chapel falls to Pleasant Home 46-26

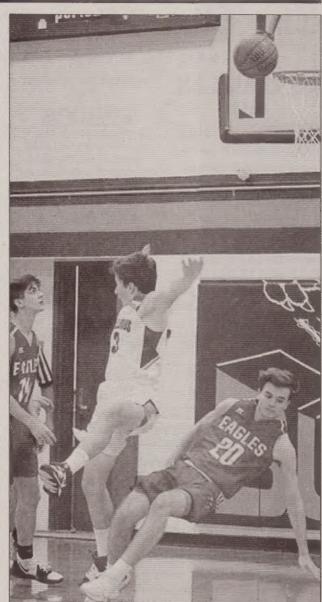
The Zion Chapel Lady Rebels fell behind early and never recovered in a 46-26 loss to the Pleasant Home Lady Eagles. The Lady Rebels led 2-1 early after two free throws by Janna Miles, but never led again as the Lady Eagles opened up a 17-5 lead by the end of the quarter and rolled to the 46-26 win. Janua Miles scored 9 points and Alanah Bunce added 7 to lead Zion Chapel, while Ally Garner led the Lady Eagles with 20 points.

# Lady Bulldogs clawed by Lady Eagles 35-31

The Kinston Lady Bulldogs led by one points late in the fourth quarter, but watched as Pleasant Home scored the final six points of the game and escaped with a 35-31 win, in a battle of 1A unbeatens. Kinston turned a 17-15 halftime deficit into a 21-20 lead heading into the final quarter, and was still on top 31-30 with 3:19 remaining on the clock after a basket by Courtney Lunsford. However, the Bulldogs failed to find their way back to the basket and the Lady Eagles hit 3 of 4 free throws in the closing seconds to claim the exciting 35-31 win. Faith Peters scored 10 points and Courtney Lunsford added 9 to lead Kinston, while Hope Gunter scored 9 points to lead the Lady Eagles.

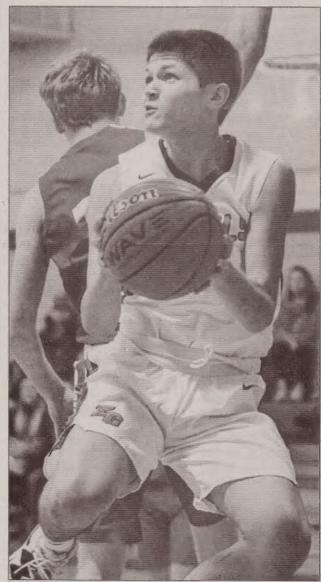
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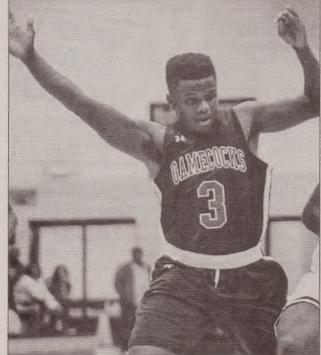


Kinston Bulldog Reece Hall (3) throws up a shot at the basket after being fouled in last week's 56-49 loss to Pleas-

(Photo by Roberta Gideon)



Zion Chapel Rebel Brady Cobb (10) eyes a 3-pointer from the corner in last week's 62-55 win over Pleasant (Photo by BC Sports Photography)



New Brockton Gamecock CJ Wilkerson (3) blocks the path to the goal in last week's 53-42 loss to Elba. (Photo by BC Sports Photography)

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Steven E. Blair Judge of Probate 12/12/1tc

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# Upcoming events and activities announced for Dothan's Landmark Park

and read Twas the Night preservation Before Christmas. 10 hummingbirds

gate admission. Applications are available at City Hall, 200 Buford Street, Elba, AL or at www.elbaalabama.net/job-opportunities. All applications should be sub-Interpretive

required.

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DECEMBER 21 • VISIT licensed bird bander free for members). A small 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. in the FATHER specializing in the banding portion of seeds distributed Interpretive Center CHRISTMAS Decked out of hummingbirds. This is a will be placed in our Seed Auditorium at the park. in his best Victorian attire, nonprofit organization Bank for future Our theme this year is Santa will visit with kids dedicated to the study and generations. a.m.-2 p.m. Free with paid neo-tropical migrants. Fred DINNER Bring in 2020 in lunch Saturday, drinks and

workshops begin at 10 pattern. a.m., are free with gate JANUARY 18 • INTRO and new and retiring board admission, and will be TO LEATHER CRAFT members. Tickets required, Auditorium, families are presented in the On January 18 at 9 a.m. in call 334-794-3452. Center the Interpretive Center Auditorium. Registration is Auditorium, students will FEBRUARY 1 • FOOD be introduced to the

On January 4, Jatin Patel basic skills used in leather WORKSHOP Learn all welcome. Our teacher will will present a program on work. Little to no about birds of prey. Patel will experience is necessary. preservation--from entire process, ending with bring his hawk so attendees The class will complete a canning, drying, freezing a craft you can take home. LOWEST PRICES on ATTENTION: VIAGRA can get a first hand look at project together (key chain and more-with Bridgette Health Insurance. We have and Cialis Users! A cheaper these raptors. Dr. Gary or bracelet). Students will Brannon, a regional the best rates from top com- alternative to high drugstore Manfready will be back to learn about types of leather, extension agent in food \$3 for kids, free for park panies! See how much you prices! 50 Pill Special-\$99 conduct the Bluebird how to cut patterns, basic safety and quality. This members) plus a \$5 can save, Call Now! 1-844- + Free Shipping! 100% workshop on Saturday, tools used in leather craft, class will last about an hour materials fee. Registration guaranteed. Call Now: 1- January 11. Featuring new how to hand stitch and and half and will give and prepayment of \$5 and updated information other simple techniques participants an overview of material fee is required to based on findings regarding used in leather craft. The food preservation. It will ensure adequate supples. OXYGEN - ANYTIME, bluebird populations in fee is regular gate also touch on gardening Space is limited. Anywhere. No tanks to re- recent years. Dr. admission (\$4 for adults, topics such as what to com to register and pay. fill. No deliveries. The All- Manfready is a member of \$3 for kids, free for park plant, when to plant and Landmark Park will be New Inogen One G4 is only the North American members) plus a \$5 when to harvest for best closed on Christmas Eve, 2.8 pounds! FAA approved! Bluebird Society and has materials fee. Registration results. This workshop is Christmas Day, New Years FREE info kit: 1-844-322- contributed articles for and prepayment of \$5 publication in their material fee is required to and registration is required. The Barnyard Playground quarterly journal. He ensure adequate supples. Thanks to the support of is closed for renovations currently maintains four Space is limited. bluebird trails in Houston JANUARY 25 • SEED workshop is free to Regular park hours are and Dale County including SWAP 1 p.m.-3 p.m. the the one at Landmark Park Wiregrass Master and has a total of 75 boxes. Gardeners will host a Seed

workshops this winter, share his extensive what we've been up to for Call Sherry fascinating and lovely along with facts about our plans for the v i s i creatures of flight found in nesting habits, food and future. We will also www.quiltedcreations.net. our local forests as well as caring for the feeders, as recognize the winners of FEBRUARY 15 • INTRO your own backyard. All well as its migration the Heritage Award, TO CERAMICS On Volunteer Service Award,

> PRESERVATION food

limited to 25 participants Eve and New Years Day. the Wiregrass RC&D, this and repairs. His main focus is on Swap in the Stokes Activity population numbers and Barn. Similar to a potluck Auditorium.

numbers in diverse encouraged to bring QUILT RETREAT under. Admission is higher environmental habitats. On samples of their favorite Landmark Park's annual for some special events. For January 25, Fred Basset heirloom seeds to exchange Quilt Retreat, led by Sherry more info and to become a will return to present the with others. Admission is Burkhalter, will be held on member, call 334-794-3452 popular program on free with paid gate fee (\$4 February 7 from 5 p.m.-9 or visit the park's website Hummingbirds. Bassett is a for adults, \$3 for kids and p.m. and February 8 from page.

Fabric Weaving. Cost for of JANUARY 27 • ANNUAL the retreat is \$75 and and MEMBERSHIP includes supper Friday, Bassett is known Roaring Twenties style! snacks. Bring your sewing JAN 4, 11, 25 • BIRD throughout the Southeast Landmark Park is machines and supplies. WORKSHOPS Landmark for his work with the celebrating 43 years in Space is limited and Park will offer three bird "jewels of the air." He will 2020. Enjoy a meal, learn registration is required. Learn about these knowledge of this little bird the past year and hear all 334-790-9045 to register or

> February 15 at 10 a.m. in the Interpretive Center invited to create and paint a project. No experience is necessary and all ages are guide you through the The fee is regular gate admission (\$4 for adults,

participants. This will take Monday-Saturday from 9 place at 10 a.m. on a.m.-5 p.m. and on Sundays February 1 in the from noon to 5 p.m. Interpretive Center Admission is \$4 for adults, \$3 for kids and free for park fledgling dinner, gardeners are FEBRUARY 7, 8 • members and children 2 and

# **COMMUNITY NEWS**



This group of youngsters and coaches enjoyed a fun-filled season of soccer this fall in Elba. The group met from September though November and enjoyed learning the game and playing in scrimmages each meeting. The soccer season was sponsored by Elba Parks and Recreation.

### Elba hosts soccer season for youngsters as sport interest is growing locally

Youngsters in Elba recently completed a fun season of soccer!

The Elba Youth soccer group met Mondays and Thursdays from September through November, and Head Coach Diana Farrell White said this was the first year for most on the team to play soccer. She said the group included Elba Elementary students [ages 5-12] and one New Brockton Elementary student.

White was assisted in coaching by Jason Mitchell and Rolando Vargas.

"Soccer is still considered a new and unknown sport in the Elba community," Coach White said. "Yet, it is the world's most popular sport - known as futbol."

She said soccer is an easy "pick up" game played in neighborhoods, and it is a well-followed organized sport in universities, professional teams, national teams with an avid audience of millions in arenas and via televised games.

"Soccer is one of the greatest sports for exercise due to the extreme amount



Youngsters participating in Elba's 2019 soccer season are shown enjoying a scrimmage during their last gathering in November. The group began meeting in September when temperatures were nearly 100 degrees and finished in November with nearly freezing temps, but regardless of how hot or cold it was outside, the youngsters had lots of fun learning the game.

of running," White said. White said the group were formed. "Our group began the sea- learned the game and son when it was 100 de- played scrimmages against sponsored by the City of season with close to freez- many and who all showed Department. Soccer is a fall ing temperatures!"

The youngsters in Elba Troy Highway in Elba. portantly, new friendships

up each meeting. She said the season was played in the outfield of Le- lots of fun for all those who Recreation is prepping for gion Field, located on the participated, and most im-

The soccer season was grees outside and ended the each other based on how Elba's Parks and Recreation sport in Elba.

Currently, Elba Parks and the youth basketball season.

## ALEA urges motorists to prepare for wintry weather, drive with caution

To be safe, the Alabama faced with icy roadways and pery roads. other hazardous driving con-

traffic safety tips for those vehicles. who must travel in such weather:

information on weather conditions and travel advisories, and check road kit, charged cell phone and conditions at https://algo- other emergency supplies in

• Report traffic crashes or other emergencies by calling 911 or using a cell phone to dial \*HP (\*47) to reach the nearest Highway Patrol post.

• Remain alert for emergency vehicles, and remember to obey Alabama's "move over" law.

• Keep vehicles in good operating condition. Check antifreeze levels, use wind-

Alabama weather can shield washer solution suitchange - from warm and able for freezing weather sunny to cold and icy - over- conditions and keep gas tanks at least half full.

• Remember weather and Law Enforcement Agency roadway conditions can (ALEA) urges motorists to deteriorate quickly. Adapt be prepared, particularly speeds to existing roadway when the forecast calls for conditions, and be alert to wintry precipitation, and to changing weather and the use extreme caution when possibility of icy and slip-

 During inclement weather, turn on headlights If at all possible, motorists and windshield wipers, and should avoid driving; but maintain a safe distance be-ALEA offers the following tween your vehicle and other

• Pay attention to bridges and overpasses, which have • Monitor local news for a tendency to develop hazardous "black ice."

> • Keep blankets, first aid your vehicle.







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# ALEA Troopers investigated 11 traffic deaths during 2019 Thanksgiving holiday travel period last month

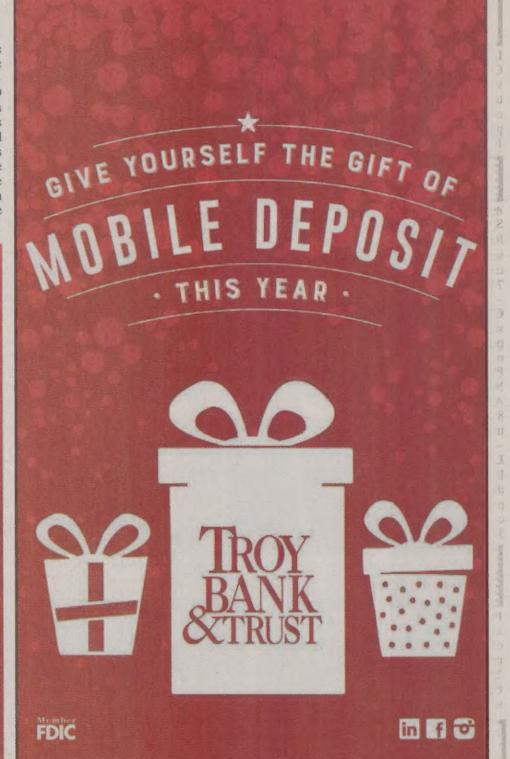
Alabama Law Enforcement pedestrians and a investigated seven traffic Agency investigated 11 traffic those killed. The other eight deaths during the individuals killed were

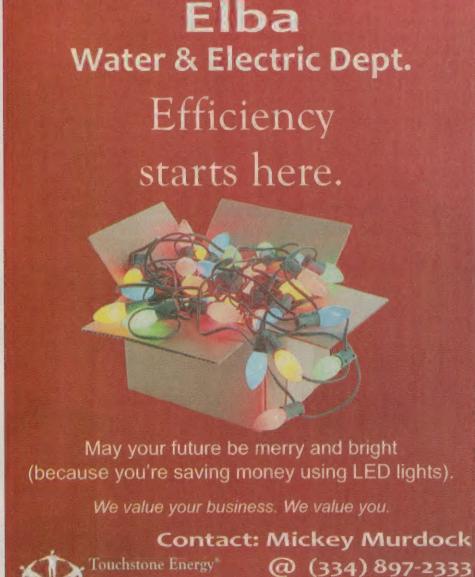
occurred in Baldwin, Seat belt usage is unknown motorists to drive with Cherokee, Escambia, Hale, for two of the individuals. caution, particularly as the Madison, Morgan, St. Clair

(ALEA) motorcyclist were among deaths.

Troopers with the and Wilcox counties. Two holiday in 2018, Troopers

Although the 2019 Thanksgiving period total is Thanksgiving holiday travel traveling in vehicles higher than the previous period, from 12:01 a.m. equipped with seat belts. Of year, Troopers have worked Wednesday, Nov. 27, to those six drivers and two 20 fewer traffic fatalities midnight Sunday, Dec. 1. passengers, two were using this year than the same date These fatal crashes seat belts and four were not. in 2018. They urge During the same extended holiday season continues.







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# **COMMUNITY NEWS**



SPECIAL AWARD...Members of the Elba Volunteer Fire firefighter Johnny Manning (right) received two awards Department presented a special award to Fire Chief Drew Monday night during the Elba Fire Department's annual Parker (left) thanking hime for his vision and dedication to Christmas party. Manning received the "Most Calls provide the department with top notch equipment. Pictured above with Parker is Firefighter Josh Mack.



MANNING RECEIVES TWO AWARD ... Elba Award" and the Chief's Award. Pictured with Manning is Fire Chief Drew Parker

Seniors age 60 and older encouraged to join fun at

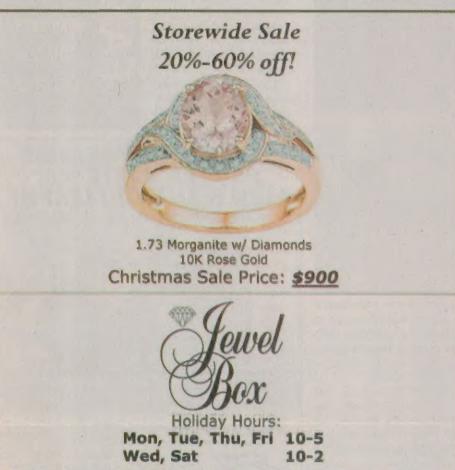
Elba Senior Citizens Center

activities and more.

for to receive assistance.



SERVICE AWARD...Elba firefighter Jonathon Farmer received the 10 Year Service Award during the Elba Fire Department's annual Christmas party held Monday night, Dec. 9, at the department. Pictured with Farmer is Elba Fire Chief Drew Parker.





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come to the center may qual- TRAINING AWARD...Elba firefighter George Homyak ify for meals being brought received the Training Award during the Elba Fire to home. Contact Donna Department's annual Christmas party held Monday night, Falls, Elba Senior Center di- Dec. 9, at the department. Pictured with Homyak is Elba rector, for more information. Fire Chief Drew Parker.

# ADPH and ADMH partner to break the cycle of stigma

Start Healing., aimed at illnesses, substance and deserves care clinicians, substance vital to ensuring accurate encourages the public to

Hepatitis C.

physicians, mental health HIV and Hepatitis C is The abuse prevention and information is shared with have open conversations to

disorders, HIV and Harris said. "These are powerful. conditions are manageable, The language we use can and so it is important for

Alabama be hurtful and harming to everyone to understand Department of Public the people we care about, that irrational fear creates Healthand the Alabama Using words that help and barriers to people seeking Department of Mental support others is important. and receiving care. Health launch a statewide Decreasing stigma Compassion helps break campaign, Stop Judging. surrounding mental health these barriers. Everyone assisting friends, family, opioid use disorders and compassion and support."

campaign treatment providers and all those we love and care for. break the cycle of stigma people in Alabama to "People with these by sharing kindness and change the way we speak conditions often fear that understanding. Changing about individuals with others are blaming or the way, we talk changes mental health illness, judging them," State people, and the words substance and opioid use Health Officer Dr. Scott providers and families use

> "The stigma that surrounds mental illness and substance use disorder is the number one barrier to treatment and recovery. We must learn how to speak in positive terms, support our friends and family, and offer appropriate resources to people who need our help," said Commissioner Lynn Beshear, Alabama Department of Mental Health.

> "Partnering with the Alabama Department of Public Health is the right, next step in the movement to educate practitioners, providers and the people of Alabama, in decreasing the stigma surrounding diseases that affect the mind and body. Support for total health is necessary for the well-being of an individual," Commissioner Beshear continued.

The statewide campaign consists of television, social media and radio advertisements, with a targeted delivery of information to medical professionals to increase awareness of the importance of the use of people first language.

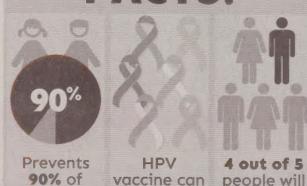
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